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city.

Dear Mr. Loftin:

We are in receipt of your recent request for an opinion
from the Attorney General's Office. Your question was as
follows:

Is a "DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY" incorporated
pursuant to H. B. 920 (Enacted by the Alabama Legis-
lature on May 20, 1985), limited to the central down-
town business areas, or in defining the area of such
central business district, may the "AUTHORITY" go
beyond the central business district to other parts
of the city or the city as a whole?

Act No. 85-683 (H. B. 920) authorizes a Downtown
Redevelopment Authority to promote trade and commerce by
including commerical enterprises to upgrade, expand, and locate
new facilities in the central business district. This Act
further provides for the Redevelopment Authority to "... define
the area of such central business district..." This
necessarily allows additional areas of the City to be included
in the central business district if the "Authority" so
designates.

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Therefore, it is the opinion of this office that the "Authority" may define the central business district so as to include other parts of the city.

I hope this response fully answers your questions. If, however, we may be of further service, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

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By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alice Ann Boswell".

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